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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

This Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS") is filed after the issuance of the above-identified patent application. However, the Applicant has petitioned to the Commission to withdraw the above-identified patent application from issue to permit consideration of the Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and this IDS along with the references cited on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 submitted on today, November 4, 2005. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. Applicant hereby petitions that the Information Disclosure Statement be considered.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

However, JP 11-340701 was previously submitted on June 28, 2004.

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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